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Subject: RE: Another call to stop ODF's RipStream Rulemaking

Bad news, but thanks for sending on.

From: Powers, David
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Subject: FW: Another call to stop ODF's RipStream Rulemaking

Extremely disappointing letter from ODF regional advisory committees asking the BOF to stop the OR FPA riparian rulemaking process that is key to meeting PCW and addressing outstanding CZARA issues. Chris Jarmer from OFIC, an aggressive timber lobbyist in OR, sent one of the letters. A similar attempt was unsuccessfully made at a prior Board meeting after NGOs, EPA, and Gov's Office (Brett Brownscomb) testified on the importance of the rule continuing to move forward.

I don't know whether the full advisory committees endorsed the letter but in any event it doesn't seem appropriate procedurally for the BOF to entertain the request. The BOF decision on resource degradation (violation of PCW demonstrated by RipStream and other studies) has been formally made and BOF direction to ODF to move forward with rulemaking alternatives has been given. Part of the industry strategy (now that RipStream shows PCW violation from treatments more protective than current FPA... necessary buffers to meet PCW will be substantially larger) is to try to change the PCW criteria. They also want to use other industry studies to show that fish are fine.

I believe that the next BOF meeting where this request will come up is in March. Ever wonder how it would feel to testify as a private citizen?

I'd recommend coordinating with Jeffrey Lockwood (503-231-2249) from NOAA Fisheries. Josh Seeds from OR DEQ is the forestry lead on the ODF rule process (503-229-5081). I'll make sure that DEQ has the letter. Dave

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